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Applicant: Neal A. Benkofske et al.

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MOLDING A PLATE

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Examiner: Unknown

Group Art Unit: 1745



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- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
- A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pgs.).
- A check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the Missing Parts Fee.
- A check in the amount of \$508.00 to cover the Basic Filing Fee and Additional Claims Fee.
- Form PTO-1533 (1pg.)
- Communication Re: Missing Parts (1 pg.)
- A return postcard.

If not provided for in a separate paper filed herewith, please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional required fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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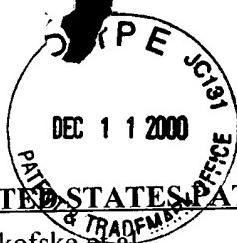
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COMMUNICATION RE: MISSING PARTS

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In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts" (see enclosed copy), we submit the signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney along with a check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the small entity surcharge and a check in the amount of \$508.00 to cover the small entity basic filing fee.

Applicants assume the application is now in proper order and in condition for examination. Please direct any inquiries to the undersigned attorney at (612) 373-6970.

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Respectfully submitted,

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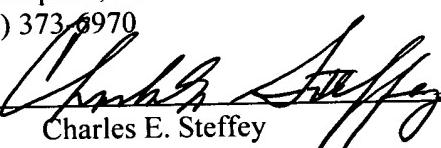
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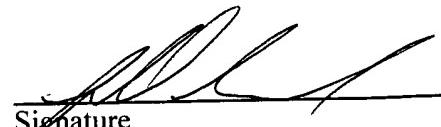
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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$306.
 - \$306 for 17 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1126.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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